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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98 copies of the following patents and/or publications are submitted herewith:

U.S. Patent No. 4,053,067 (Katz et al.), dated October 11, 1977;

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French Patent Application No. 2 234 637, dated January 17, 1975, pertains to a transfer device for a nuclear reactor;

Japanese Patent Abstract No. 8261016 (Motoaki), dated October 8, 1996;

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